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In re the Application of: **ITOH, Akio**

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Examiner: **Matthew Warren**

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For: **SEMICONDUCTOR DEVICE AND METHOD OF MANUFACTURING THE SAME**

**RESPONSE UNDER 37 CFR §1.116**  
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Commissioner for Patents  
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September 26, 2003

Sir:

In response to the Office Action dated **July 29, 2003**, please amend the above-identified application as follows:

**Amendments to the Claims** are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on pages 2-4 of this paper.

**Remarks/Arguments** begin on page 5 of this paper.

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